





FORT EUSTIS HR FOR SUPERVISORS TRAINING SEMINAR













HR for SUPERVISORS COURSE

ATTENDANCE



Class is scheduled to start at 8:00 and end at 4:30 daily. If you are unable to attend, please ensure we are informed: phone 878-5749.



BUDDY SYSTEM

We ask all participants to be responsible for one other person in the course. This is in case of an emergency or need that cannot be fulfilled by the Course Manager. Please exchange your phone number with them.



RESTROOMS

Restrooms are located down the hall.



Fax

If you need information faxed to you, our fax number is <u>878-4128</u>. Please have your name and the course you are attending on the cover sheet.



BREAKS

Breaks will be given where material accommodates. If you need to leave the room, please do so as quietly as possible.



COURSE MATERIAL

Each section is tabbed to reflect corresponding sections. If handouts or exercises are being utilized you will find them in the respective section behind the colored sheet of paper. Copies of presentations can be obtained by accessing CPAC website.



MEALS

<u>On your own.</u>



SMOKING

The designated smoking area is located 50' from the building.



QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask.

EMERGENCY CALLS

Emergency contact numbers are:

INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN RESOURCES (HR)



HR FOR NEW SUPERVISORS COURSE GOALS

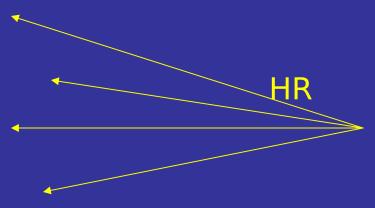
- To prepare participants to perform supervisory HR role:
 - describe the partnership between supervisors and HR team
 - recognize and apply HR terminology
 - use web-based HR tools, and
 - successfully complete case studies

INTRODUCTION

- <u>Learning Objectives</u>: Without references participants will...
 - Briefly explain the concept of a "merit system" and list at least 3 merit principles
 - Briefly describe the missions of the Regional Civilian Personnel Operations Center and the onsite HR Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC)
 - List at least four Civilian HR processes
 - Briefly explain how labor contracts influence civilian HR administration

THE SUPERVISOR'S JOB

- Planning
- Organizing
- Directing
- Controlling



HR tasks affect a variety of supervisory functions!

MERIT SYSTEM

- The Pendleton Act of 1883 was one of the first Acts of Congress to establish a civil service based on merit.
- The Pendleton Act was a response to the assassination of President Garfield by a disgruntled political supporter who expected a "patronage" appointment.

MERIT PRINCIPLES

- 1. Recruit from all segments of society; select and advance based on KSAs; provide for fair and open competition.
- 2. Treat employees and applicants fairly and equitably without regard to political affiliation, race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, age, or handicapping condition.
- 3. Provide equal pay for equal work.
- 4. Maintain high standards of integrity, conduct, and concern for the public interest.
- 5. Use the federal work force efficiently and effectively.

MORE MERIT PRINCIPLES

- 6. Retain employees on the basis of performance; inadequate performance should be corrected; separate employees who cannot or will not meet performance standards.
- 7. Provide education and training to improve organizational and individual performance.
- 8. Protect employees from arbitrary action, personal favoritism, or political coercion; prohibit employees from interfering with election or nomination process.
- 9. Protect employees from reprisal for lawful disclosure of information on violation of laws or mismanagement, gross waste of funds, or substantial and specific danger to public safety.

PROHIBITED PRACTICES

- 1. Discriminate against any employee or applicant on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicapping condition.
- 2. Solicit or consider any employment recommendation unless it is an evaluation of work performance, ability, aptitude, or general qualifications or an evaluation of character or loyalty.
- 3. Coerce political activity from any employee.
- 4. Deceive or obstruct an individual from his or her right to compete for federal employment.
- 5. Influence a person to withdraw from competition.

PROHIBITED PRACTICES (continued)

- Grant preference or advantage not authorized by law to any employee or applicant.
- 7. Appoint, promote, or advance a relative in the same agency.
- 8. Take a personnel action as a reprisal against employees who lawfully disclose information, exercise their appeal rights or refuse to engage in political activity.
- 9. Retaliate against an employee or applicant for filing an appeal.

PROHIBITED PRACTICES (continued)

- 10. Discriminate on basis of non-performance related conduct.
- 11. Take any action which violates the merit system principles.
- 12. Knowingly violate veterans' preference requirements.

Stop here to show OPM Videotape.

EXERCISE

- 1. Select a Merit Principle or Prohibited Personnel Practice at each table
- 2. Discuss how violations of the principle or practice might occur
- 3. Discuss ways to avoid violations
- 4. Be prepared to share your ideas with the class

SUMMARY - MERIT PRINCIPLES

- Be aware of Merit Principles and Prohibited Personnel Practices
- Think before you take action
- Consult with HR and other advisors
- Supervisors are held to a higher standard
- Be aware of perceptions even when action is "strictly legal"

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT (WPA)

- Office of Special Counsel Requirements
 - Place informational posters regarding the laws
 - Provide written information about the WPA to new employees
 - Provide written information on WPA to current employees on annual basis
 - Train supervisors on the WPA every three years
 - Create computer link from agency to OSC

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION

- Prohibited Personnel Practices include taking reprisals against whistleblowers
- Website: www.osc.gov/ppp.htm
- Instructions for submitting claims are provided at the Office of Special Counsel website.

ARMY HR PHILOSOPHY

- Management makes HR decisions
- Management powers down delegates to lowest level
- HR staff advise, assist, and provide tools
- HR Strategic goal -- Recruit, develop, and retain a quality, representative work force

REGIONAL STRUCTURE

- CONUS Regions
- Northeast, North Central, South Central, Southwest and West
 - Report to CHRA (Civilian Human Resource Agency)
- OCONUS Regions
 - Europe, Korea, Pacific
 - Report to CHRA

REGIONAL STRUCTURE (continued)

- Civilian Personnel Advisory Centers
 - 105 CPACs world-wide report to Regional Directors then CHRA
- Structure became effective beginning FY04

HR STAKEHOLDERS

- Employees
- Supervisors/Managers
- CPAC Staff
- Regional Processing Center Staff
- Region Staff
- ABC-C Staff
- Liaison Staff (in serviced organizations)
- Applicants & other external parties
- Labor Representatives

HR MISSIONS

- HR Regions
 - Direct the work of Region/CPACs
 - Provide training to meet common needs
 - Process HR actions; perform region-wide HR administration; manage information systems

HR MISSIONS (continued)

- Civilian Personnel Advisory Centers (CPAC)
 - Provide local strategic HR advice; coordinate with Regional Processing Center; perform labor relations; management-employee relations
- Army Benefits Center-Civilian (ABC-C)
 - Provides information and advice on benefits administration; processes transactions

HR PROCESSES

- Position Classification
- Hiring, Promotion, & Placement
- Training Requirements
- MER Advisory Service
- Labor Relations Advisory Service
- Employee Benefits & Services

STAGES OF AN HR PROCESS

- Customer identifies need & discusses with CPAC
- CPAC provides information & advice
- Customer initiates appropriate HR action
- Request for action flows to CPAC
- Regional Processing Center reviews & processes actions
- Regional Processing Center updates HR records
- Customer receives product / result / follows up
- (Training requirements are processed thru CPAC/ Regional HRD Division)

CONTEXT FOR CIVILIAN HR

- Law/Executive Order
- Labor Agreement, if any
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
- DOD Policies & Regulations
- Army Policies & Regulations
- MACOM, Regional and Local Policies & Regulations, e.g., Merit Promotion Plan, Pay Setting Policy

HUMAN RESOURCES

Is merit based and founded in law?

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AUTOMATION TOOLS



CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AUTOMATION TOOLS

- CPAC WEBSITE
- Army CPOL Portal
- My Biz / My Workplace
- DCPDS
- Central CSU 11i
- Gatekeeper
- FASCLASS
- SF 50 Information
- PERMISS

Primary Systems: CPOL Portal, DCPDS, CSU, ART

- <u>CPOL Portal</u> provides the main entrance to all HR applications, and has a number of its own tools to assist in managing the civilian workforce.
- My Biz access and view your personnel information; maintain your own information, including personal profiles; provide input on performance plans (NSPS)
- My Workplace as a supervisor access and view your employee's personnel information; provide input on performance plans (NSPS)
- <u>Defense Civilian Personnel Data System</u> (DCPDS) is the primary system. It resides at the Army Civilian Data Center (ACDC, or the "central site"), and is the "database of record."
- The CSU 11i Application is a secondary system, which also resides at the central site. The data in the CSU Application comes from the DCPDS database; it is refreshed nightly and is read-only.
- Army Regional Tools (ART) is a collection of civilian human resources management tools, most of which have been, or are in the process of being, moved into the CPOL Portal (ART will continue to be used until all tools have been moved).

Other Applications

- FASCLASS: centralized database of active position descriptions and position information
- SF50 Information: web-accessed SF50 repository that provides a library of SF50s for your employees
- PERMISS: Articles and other tools covering all aspects of civilian personnel management

CPAC WEBSITE

http://www.eustis.army.mil/c



Civilian Personnel Advisory Center

Fort Eustis, VA

670 Lee Blvd, Fort Eustis, VA 23604-5096

(757) 878-2125



United We Stand

TOPICS:



Alternative Work Schedules (AWS)

ANSWER

Army Benefits
Center - Civilian
(ABC-C) (FEHB,
FEGLI, TSP,
Retirement,
Death Benefits)

Army CPOL Portal

Army Regional
Tools (ART)

Welcome to the Fort Eustis Civilian Personnel Advisory Center's Home Page!

We are committed to providing you the best service possible, whether you are visiting us via the Internet or in our office.
Just click on the topics on the left to link to the information that you need and expect from CPAC. If you have any questions
or comments, do not hesitate to press Feedback. Thank you for visiting CPAC Online. You can access the Ft. Eustis
Home Page by clicking HERE.



Army Civilian Corps Creed

- I am an Army Civilian a member of the Army Team
- I am dedicated to our Army, our Soldiers and Civilians
- · I will always support the mission
- · I provide stability and continuity during war and peace
- I support and defend the Constitution of the United States and

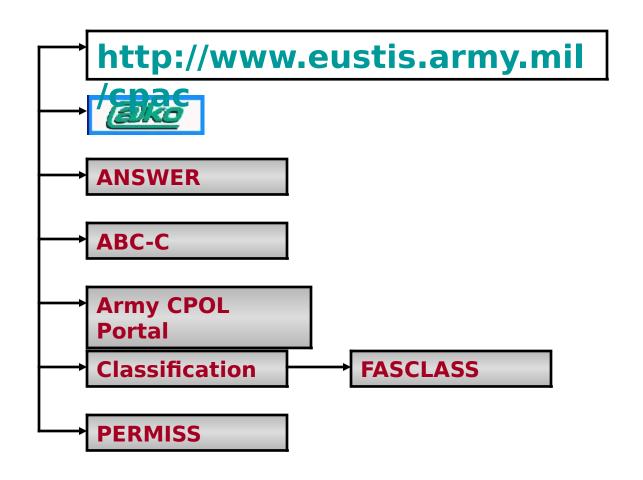








CPAC WEBSITE





The U.S. Army has employed civilians since 1776 in support of men and women in uniform. The Department of Defense is America's oldest, largest, busiest, and most successful "company". Today, with over 250,000 civilian employees, the Army is the Department of Defense's largest federal employer.

Employment Opportunities Around the World

Top Army Initiatives



Army National Security Personnel System

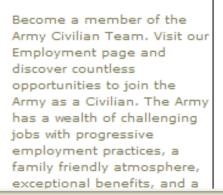
Current BRAC Information

Hurricane Katrina/Rita Guidance

No Fear Act Notice



Employment





References & Tools Employee Portal

We offer various reference information and tools to assist with questions concerning Civilian Human Resources.



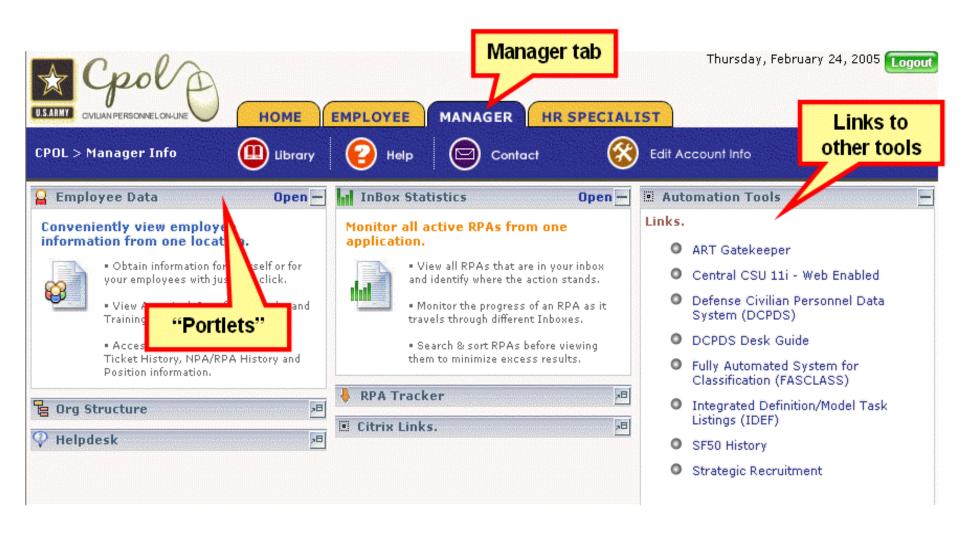


→ Employee Login (with an AKO account)

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working for the Army.

CPOL Portal - Manager Tab





HOME

EMPLOYEE

MANAGER

HR SPECIALIST

CPOL > HOME











Welcome



The CPOL PORTAL is a one-stop site that provides access to all the information you may need as a Civilian Personnel employee. The Portal provides you with access to applications, information, news, benefits and much more. If you are a first time user please access the Portal Help for information on how to browse the Portal.

Portal Announcement

The latest CPOL Portal & Server Announcements

- Release Notes: Updated 04/09/09

As of 9 Apr, 2009:

at 7:00am Eastern EDT, the Portal was updated with the following:

- All: ***A new feature has been added to allow opening of a new window for each portlet.*** NOTE: For IE 7 users to allow portlet to display in a new tab you must right click on "Open in New Window" and select "Open in New Tab".
- 2. Pay Data: Data will display for the W3L Transactions when clicking on the NOA.
- 3. Pay Data: Typo in the Privacy Act Statement has been corrected.
- 4. RPA Tracker: Data is now appearing in the appropriate columns when users export to excel without clicking on the "Search Button".
- 5. Inbox Statistics; RPA Tracker; Gatekeeper: The gatekeeper viewer will now display the sub-guestions and their answers when more than one item is selected in the pick list.

Library



Welcome to the CPOL Library, your resource for knowledge and information.

- → Benefits
- Civilian Plans & Strategies
- DCPDS JINITIATOR and GHOSTVIEW software
- Emergency HR Guidance
- General Information
- Labor Relations
- Management Employee Relations
- Mobilization
- NAF Nonappropriated Fund
- Non-Army Guidance (DoD, OPM)
- ➡ PERMISS
- Portal Library Homepage
- Position Classification
- Recruitment & Staffing
- SES Senior Executive Service
- Training & Leadership Development

Links



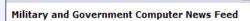
Welcome to the CPOL Links.

- Account Request Information
- Career Management
- Civilian News
- Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1 & Entitlements
- US Army Homepage
- ➡ What's New?



National Security Personnel System

RSS Read



GCN Top News







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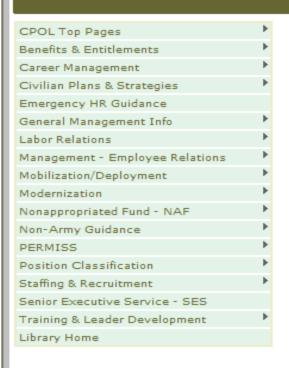
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Address Addres





CPOL Home > Library Index > PERMISS



Personnel Management Information and Support System (PERMISS)

PERMISS is a decision support system designed to provide general guidance and information on all areas of Army Civilian Personnel Management. This site provides easy to understand, accurate information for viewing and retrieving purposes only. Some of the articles are linked to expert system modules, providing specific advice on discharging personnel management and administration responsibilities.

Please Note: Policies may differ for DCIPS, NAF, SES, or Demonstration Projects employees

> Welcome to PERMISS Master List of all PERMISS Articles

> > **PERMISS Topic Areas**

Benefits Classification DCIPS Demo Projects Employee Relations General Info Labor NAF Staffing Training

> You can search the Entire Library from the Library Homepage Or search through PERMISS only with the Search feature below







EMPLOYEE HOME

MANAGER

HR SPECIALIST

· Enter a Helpdesk Ticket to request a correction to your personnel record and/or provide feedback on the

CPOL > Employee Info







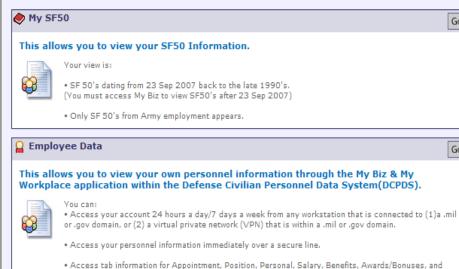






Edit Account Info

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Manage Your Links BOA ART DTS VAB DA Resumix Recruiter DCPS CHR-ABC FASCLASS DCPDS Label Link URL (include http(s)) Delete Link Add Link

Links CSR and Timekeeper Guide to Avoid and Report Pay Problems Decision Logic Table to Report Pay Problems

Emergency Essential Employee's FEGLI Election Opportunity

· View Status of Helpdesk tickets you have entered.

Employee Guide to Avoid Pay Problems Entitlement and Benefits for Temporary Service in Iraq & Afghanistan

OPM: Wage Tables (Pay Tables, Salary Information)

Procedures for R & R Reimbursements for DAC's

Performance information.

functionality of the tool.

Reference Library

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Go!

Links

Automation

My Links

Army Benefits Center - Civilian (ABC-C)

Army Exit Survey

CHRTAS - Apply for Training

DFAS/My Pay

Defense Travel System(DTS) Employment Verification Service (TALX)

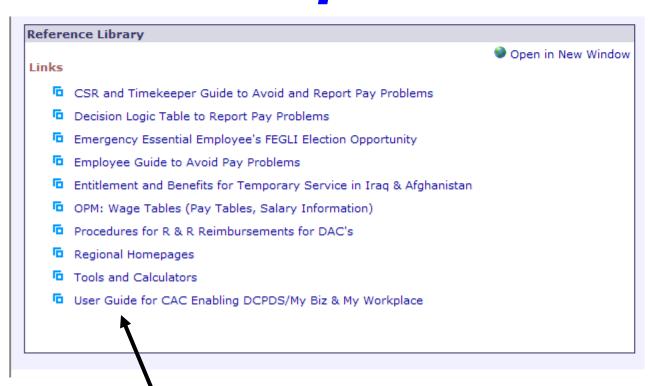
Resume Builder & ANSWER

Thrift Savings Plan (TSP)



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How Do I Register My CAC to Access My Biz / My Workplace?



Helpdesk



HOME EMPLOYEE

MANAGER

HR SPECIALIST

Reference Library

DCPDS Desk Guide

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CPOL > Manager Info



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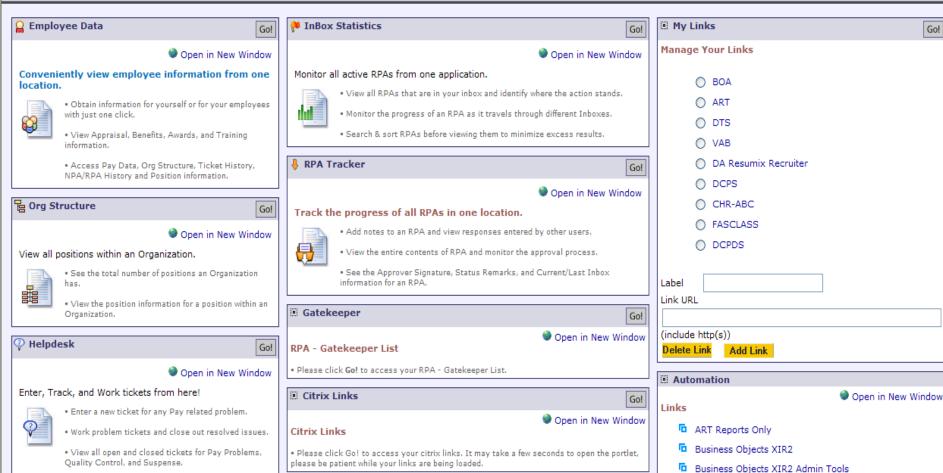






Edit Account Info

Logout



location.

🏓 NPA Tracker -Ex Employee Only

View Inactive employee information from one

Defense Civilian Personnel Data System (DCPDS)

Fully Automated System for Classification (FASCLASS)

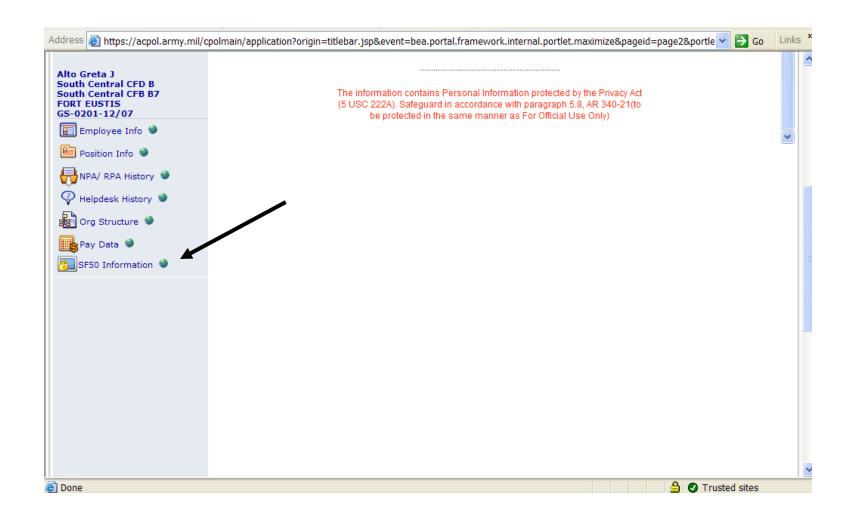
CHRTAS - Apply for Training

Central CSU 11i - Web Enabled

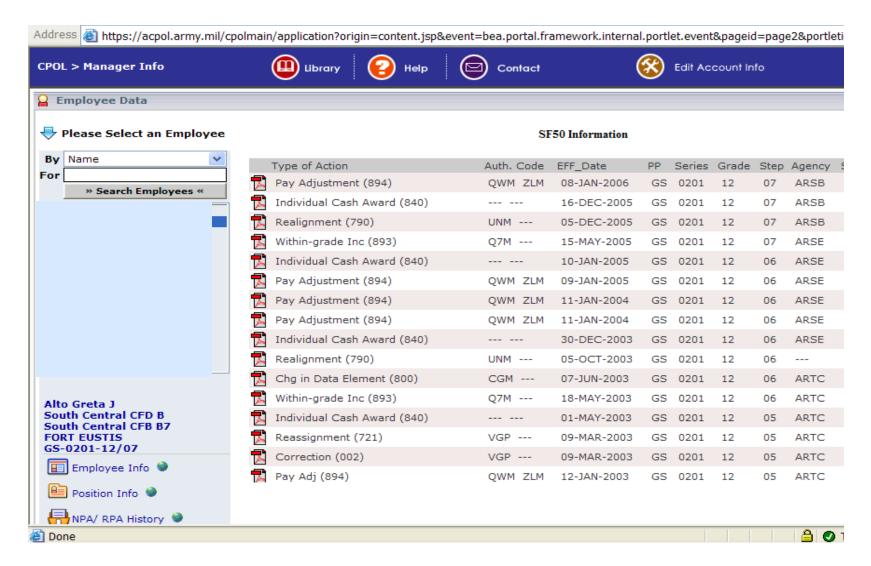
Description of Portal Applications

- Employee Data: easy access to basic data about employees, including personnel and position data (including job descriptions), NPA and RPA history, organization information
- Org Structure: up-to-date information about the organization (table format showing encumbered and vacant positions)
- Inbox Statistics: timeliness of personnel processing as well as information on specific actions (position data, organizational information, and individual RPAs)
- Helpdesk: includes upcoming personnel action suspenses (expiring appointments, within grade increases coming due, etc.) as well as problem reporting and tracking tools

SF 50 Information



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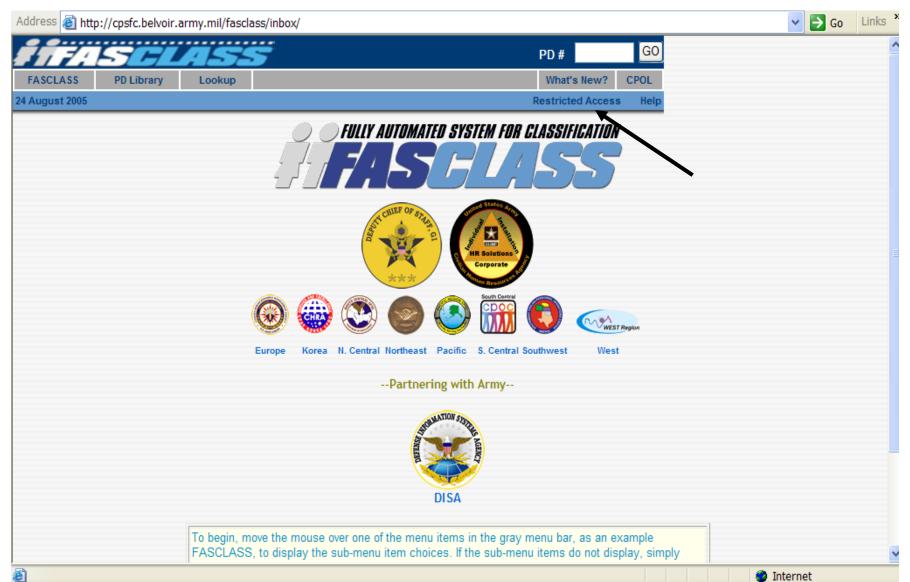


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Which to use?

- Request a personnel action: DCPDS
- Fill out a gatekeeper checklist: Portal / Gatekeeper
- Track a request for personnel action: Portal / Manager Tab \ Inbox Statistics or RPA Tracker
- Look up data about an employee: Portal / Manager Tab \ Employee Data
- View or print an SF50: Portal / Manager or Employee Tabs, or DCPDS
- Run a standard report: Portal, CSU, or ART

FASCLASS



Other Websites of Interest

- DCPDS Desk Guide http://www.cpocma.army .mil/deskguid
- ART Users Guide http://www.cpocma.army .mil/artguide
- ScreenCam How-To Movies

http://www.cpocma.arm

y.mil/howtomovies

The three websites above are all accessible from the CHRA DCPDS Training page:

http://www.cpocma.army.mil/mdcpds

 Civilian Personnel On-Line (CPOL)

http://www.cpol.army.mi

- ABC-C (Army Benefits Center - Civilian) https://www.abc.army.mi
- DOD Civilian Personnel Management Service http://www.cpms.osd.mil
- OPM home page http://www.opm.gov
- Joint Travel Regulations http://www.defensetrave l.dod.mil/perdiem/trvlr egs.html
- Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) http://www.tsp.gov

QUESTIONS?? ?



Position Classification





PURPOSE



 To explain Army classification policies and practices, including tools for selecting PDs and applying the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Supervisors will be able to:
 - Briefly explain the organizational framework for position classification
 - List at least 3 classification responsibilities
 - Select and edit a position description using Army's automation tool
 - Briefly explain PATCO
 - Locate classification standards at OPM's web site & personnel information at CPOL
 - Define and describe occupational definitions under NSPS
 - Define and describe career groups, pay schedules, and pay bands under NSPS
 - Describe the basic NSPS classification process
 - Define the terms mixed, interdisciplinary, and interoccupational positions
 - Describe NSPS classification appeals

ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGN

Normally, supervisors fill *established*

positions.

Good organizatio nal design minimizes HR problems

Poor organization al structure magnifie S HR

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- Organization design precedes job design
- Design should support mission and work force relationships
- Eliminate unnecessary layers
- Select effective supervisor-employee ratios
- Use appropriate patterns for organizing
- Avoid obvious hazards
- Build around teams or units, not jobs

ORGANIZATIONAL ADVICE

Who can help?

Resource
Management
Directorate
on matters
of efficiency
or
organization
al structure



CPAC when complicated classification questions arise (e.g., how to classify leaders and supervisors) and on matters of job design or HR

ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY

- Commanders, directors, managers, and supervisors must design organizations that:
 - Use the lowest grades feasible to accomplish the mission.
 - Normally provide for career progression.
 - Eliminate excessive layers of supervision.
 - Avoid the assignment of employees to position descriptions that do not match the work assigned and performed.

HOW TO IDENTIFY A MISASSIGNMENT



- Employee NOT Assigned Major Duties in the Position Description (PD)
- Employee Assigned Major Duties NOT in the PD
- Temporary Assignments Become Permanent and NOT in the PD
- Exceeds "TEMPORARY" Period Specified in Labor Agreement or CFR (Typically 30 -120 Days)

Note: Work May be at Lower, Higher, or

CLASSIFICATION FUNCTIONS

- classification processing
- apply new standards
- review appeal packages
- administer pay (including FLSA)
- assist on A-76Studies

- adviseemployees &managers
- conduct
 classification
 training (with
 help from CPAC)



Classification Decisions

× Pay System [DCA

Manager]

Series/Occupation [DCA]

Manager]

¥ Grade [DCA

Manager]

Title [DCA]

Manager]

Other codes

Fair Labor Staunder GS,

Manager under

NSPS

[CPAC]

S Act [CPAC

DCA POLICY

- Memo dated 17 Nov 97 (on the web)
- Delegation is through MACOMs to installation/activity commanders
- Commanders delegate authority through management chain to lowest practical level
- DCA requires training before delegation
- Certain restrictions apply
- If manager lacks authority, the servicing CPAC classifies position descriptions

DCA POLICY

- Manager must follow laws, regulations, classification standards, and guidance
- Manager uses FASCLASS, PD Library, COREDOC, & other tools
- CPAC advises and trains
- CPAC verifies PD format and classification
- CPAC determines FLSA under GS;
 Manager determines FLSA under NSPS
- CPAC/Manager coordinate on any problems or issues they encounter

DCA Do's



Managers may:

- Determine/certify the occupational code, pay band, and title per NSPS Class Standards
- Make other class-related determinations such as Fair Labor Standards Act exemptions, IAW statutory requirements
- Classify only those positions under their direct managerial/supervisory control
- Delegate classification authority to subordinate managerial/supervisory positions, <u>if</u> authorized

DCA Don'ts



Managers may NOT:

- Classify their own position, or any subordinate position that has an impact on the classification of their position
- Exceed the level of authority delegated to any higher level commander/manager/supervisor within their chain of command
- Delegate classification authority to Human Resources (HR) practitioners or other staff members who are not Commanders, managers or supervisors

TOOL ASSUMPTIONS

PD Library and COREDOC PDs are accepted when unchanged or when they contain only minor edits (e.g., Ft. Swampy is changed to Ft. Polk).

Other PDs require closer review.

Maximum of one advisory determination from CPAC per case.

REGULATORY BASE

- Executive Orders
- Title 5, USC
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
- OPM classification standards or manuals
- DOD regulations or manuals/instructions
- Army regulations & policy memoranda
- MACOM regulations
- Local regulations
- Union agreements



Key Terms



"Major Duty" drives HR decisions and represents the essential and basic reason for the position, either:

- 25% or more of the employee's time, or
- requires a significant knowledge, skill, ability that would influence recruitment

Key Terms



- "Grade-Controlling Work"-Work that supports the grade
 or pay level of the position.
 - In General Schedule, it must be at least 25% or more of the employee's time.
 - In Federal Wage System, it must be *regular and recurring*.

ASSIGNMENT OF WORK

ne Supervisor's Responsibility:

- Assign Work to Employees
- Ensure Mission Accomplishment
- Ensure Position Description Accuracy
- Ensure Proper Alignment in the organizati

ASSIGNMENT OF WORK

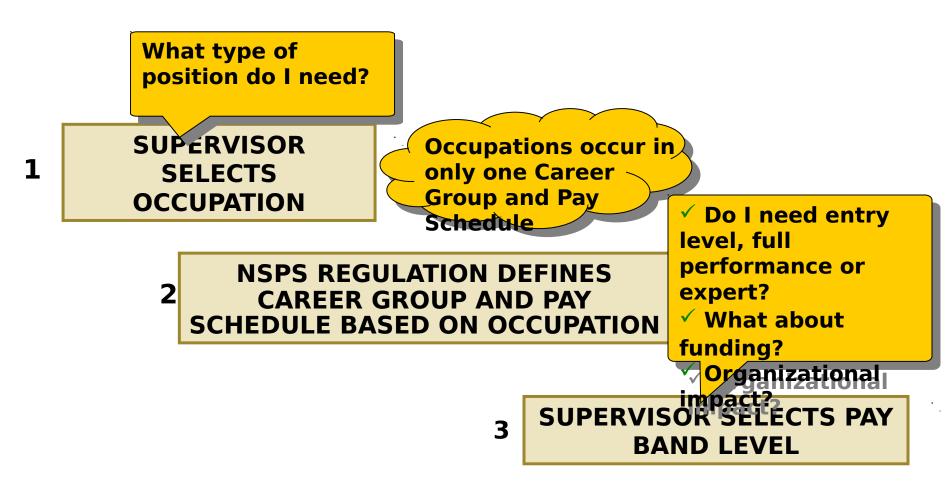
When assigning work:

- Consider using the lowest grade feasible to accomplish the mission
- Provide for Career Progression (Where Applicable)
- Eliminate excessive layers of supervision.
- Avoid miss assignments
- Consider Organization Design

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- Save Personnel Dollars
- Save Time in Implementing Decisions
- Improve Morale of Employees
- Accurate Identification of Training Needs

3 Steps to Classification

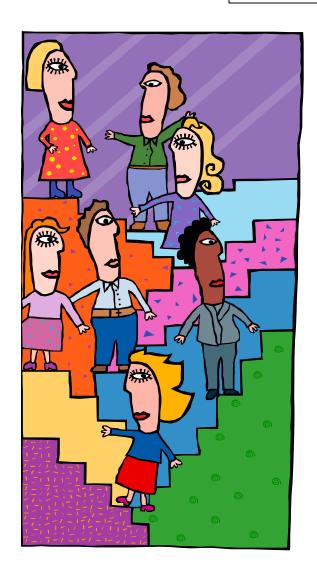


Management is in control – NOT HR! Responsible for position and financial management

Pay System

- The first classification decision when you select/write a PD or plan for a new mission is to determine pay system.
- Pay system is usually obvious--white collar work vs. trade or craft work.
- OPM publications are at www.opm.gov.
- Read guidate formorde e cases.

PATCO



The second decision is to determine the career path associated with the new work:

- Professional (education requirement)
- Administrative (other GS-05/07/09/11/12)
- Technical/Assistant
- Clerical
- Other

OCCUPATION

- OPM publishes a handbook that lists all of the established wage and GS occupations.
- There are also "01" occupational codes for miscellaneous positions.
- Review the occupational handbook at http://www.opm.gov
- Select index, classification, and follow the links

GRADE OR PAY BAND

- Within PATCO category, determine if you want a trainee, full performance, or senior position; this drives grade range.
 - Clerical work is procedural (GS-01 to GS-03) or substantive (GS-04 to GS-05).
 - Technical work varies from GS-05 to GS-07+.
 - Administrative and professional jobs vary from GS-05/07 trainees to GS-11+ full performance.

PATCO PDs

 Once you determine the level of performance for a PATCO category, you are ready to search FASCLASS o PD Library for a typical PD.

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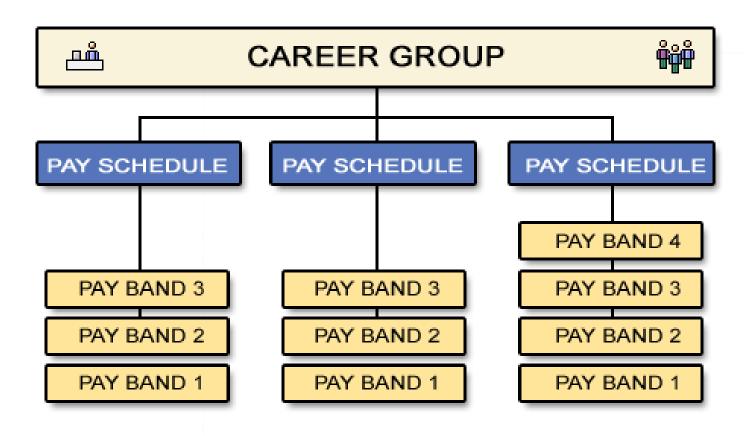
http://www.cpol.army.mil.

 Then select "tools" and link to FASCLASS or PD Library.

GS vs. NSPS Classification

GS	NSPS
Occupational Family	Career Group
Pay Plan	Pay Schedule
Title	Title
Grade	Pay Band
Occupational Series (#)	Occupational Code (#)
Over 400 OPM GS Classification Standards	15 Standards

Classification Architecture



Career Groups/Pay Schedules

STANDARD

- Professional/Analytical (YA)
- Tech/Support (YB)
- Supervisor/Manager (YC)
- Student Employment (YP)*

73% of DoD workforce

MEDICAL

- Physician/Dentist (YG)
- Professional (YH)
- Tech/Support (YI)
- Supervisor/Manager (YJ)

4% of DoD workforce

ENGINEERING & SCIENTIFIC

- Professional (YD)
- Tech/Support (YE)
- Supervisor/Manager (YF)

19% of DoD workforce

INVESTIGATIVE & PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- Investigative (YK)
- Fire Protection (YL)
- Police/Guard (YM)
- Supervisor/Manager (YN)

4% of DoD workforce

*Student Employment (YP) covers all 4 groups.

Pay Schedules (PS)

Pay Schedules (PS) combine similar types of work within a Career Group (CG) based on the occupational definition of:

- Professional and Analytical
- Technician / Support
- Supervisory
 (each of the Career Groups have these types of jobs)
- Students are all in the Standard Career Group

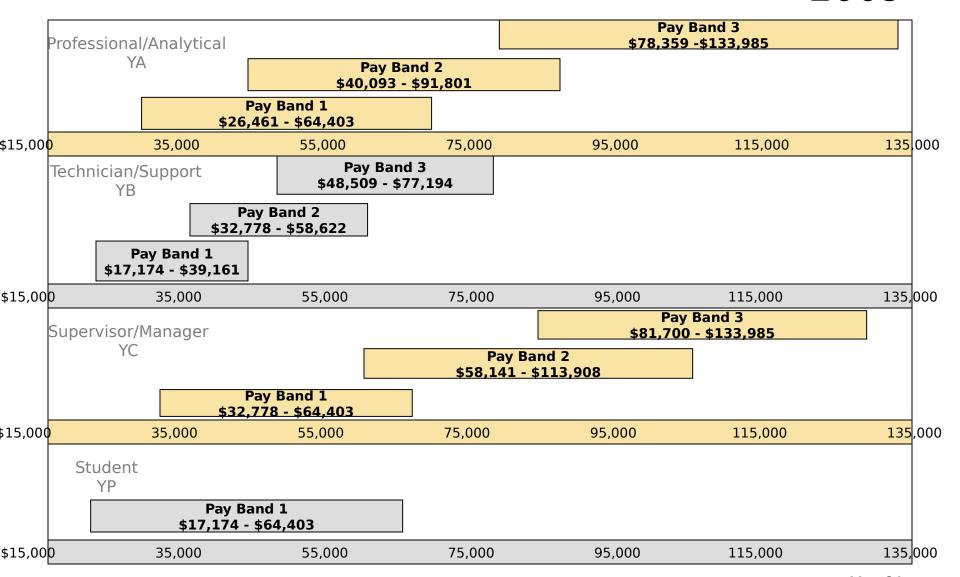
Career Group and Pay Schedule Example

Occupatio n	Career Group	Pay Schedule/Co de
Engineering, 0801	S&E	Professional / YD
Engineering Tech, 0802	S&E	Technician/Support / YE
Engineering Student Trainee, 0899	STND	SEEP / YP
Supervisory Civil Engineer, 0810	S&E	Supervisory / YF

Pay Bands

Pay Ban d	Prof/ Analytical	Tech/Support	Superviso ry
1	Entry/ Development al	Entry/Developmen tal or Journey	Supervises PB 1
2	Journey	Journey	Supervises PB 2
3	Expert/ Program Mgr	Journey/Expert	Manager
4		Unusual (super) Expert	

Standard Career Group 2009



¹ Febv200.9 The salaries represent base salary ranges. The ranges do not include local market supplement (LMS) adjust Mg fit 8.1

Classification Exercise 1

Find the correct career group and pay schedule for the following occupations:

Occupation	CG/ PS	Occupation	CG/PS
0401, Biologist		0511, Auditor	
1310, Physicist		0905, Attorney	
0404, Biological Science and Laboratory Technician		2210, IT Specialist	
1311, Physical Science Technician		0201, Supervisory Human Resources Specialist	
0025, Park Ranger		0318, Secretary	
0086, Security Technician		1811, Criminal Investigator	

Time: You have 15

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Key Classification Differences NSPS

- Focus on Position
- Classification drives pay
- Requires seasoned classification judgment

- Focus on Person
- Performance drives pay
- Administrative decision based on what is:
 - Best for business
 - Most economic
 - Wisest use of taxpayer's dollars

WRITING POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

- ✓ Why do we need the written position description?
- ✓ What does the written PD help to achieve?
- ✓ Who is responsible for the PD?
- ✓ When is it necessary to write a new or to revise a current PD?

WHAT MUST A POSITION DESCRIPTION DO?

Accurately Describe the Duties to Be Classified

- Major Duties
 - Primary Reason for the Position
 - Govern Qualifications
- Grade Controlling Work
- Trainee Duties



PD FORMATS

- The PD format depends upon the OPM or DOD classification standard used to grade it.
 - Narrative GS (Supervisory Controls & Major Duties)
 - Factor Evaluation System (Major Duties plus 9 Factors)
 - Narrative WG (Major Duties plus 4 factors)
 - GSSG (Major Duties plus 6 Factors)
 - NSPS

NARRATIVE GS FORMAT

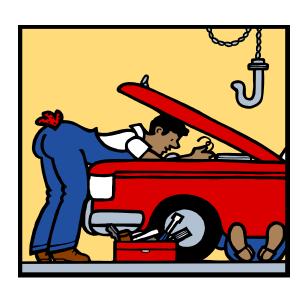
- Supervisory Controls How the work is assigned & reviewed
- Major Duties Statement of important duties assigned, including a introductory paragraph stating primary purpose of the position.
- "Performs other duties as assigned."
- Conditions of Employment (Security Clearances, TDY, Work Schedule, Licenses, etc.)

FES FORMAT

- Major Duties
 - Performs other duties as assigned.
- Nine (9) factors:
 - Factor 1 Knowledge Required by the
 - **Position**
 - Factor 2 Supervisory Controls
 - Factor 3 Guidelines
 - Factor 4 Complexity
 - Factor 5 Scope & Effect
 - Factor 6 Personal Contacts
 - Factor 7 Purpose of Contacts
 - Factor 8 Physical Demands
 - Factor 9 Work Environment

NARRATIVE WG FORMAT

- Duties
 - Performs other duties as assigned.
- Skills and Knowledge
- Responsibility
- Physical Effort
- Work Conditions



GSSG FORMAT

- ✓ Major Duties
 - Performs other duties as assigned.
- ✓ Six (6) Factors
 - **Factor 1 Program Scope and Effect**
 - Factor 2 Organizational Setting
 - Factor 3 Supervisory and Managerial Authority Exercised
 - **Factor 4 Personal Contacts**
 - Factor 5 Difficulty of Typical Work Directed
 - **Factor 6 Other Conditions**

PD TIPS

<u>GS</u>	<u>NSPS</u>
Army requires percentages of time on each Major Duty	Percentages are not required under NSPS format
Army requires "Performs other duties as assigned."	NSPS requires "Performs other duties as assigned."
FES and GSSG formats require factor levels, points, total points, and grade-point conversion	NSPS requires a statement that includes the GS equivalent grade level

Making Fair Labor Standards Act

(FLSA) Determinations The manager, not HR, is responsible for FLSA under

- **NSPS**
- Per SC1920.9, 5 CFR Part 551 FLSA provisions apply to all DoD employees under NSPS
- Requires mandatory use of:
 - SC1920-2 FLSA Determination Guidance Table AND
 - 5 CFR Part 551

Table SC1920-2.	FLSA	Determination	Guidance	Table
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GROUP & SCHEDULE	PAY BAND 1	PAY BAND 2	PAY BAND 3	PAY BAND 4		
STANDARD CAREER	STANDARD CAREER GROUP					
Professional/Analytical	Non-Exempt	Non-Exempt or Apply Test *	Apply Test			
Technician/Support	Non-Exempt	Non-Exempt	Non-Exempt or Apply Test *			
Supervisory	Apply Test	Apply Test	Apply Test			
Student Educational Employment	Non-Exempt					
SCIENTIFIC & ENGINEERING CAREER GROUP						
Professional	Non-Exempt	Non-Exempt or Apply Test *	Apply Test			



published in section 101-710 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations Part 551--Pay Administration Under the Fair Labor Standards Act Subpart A.-General Provisions 551.101 General. 551.102 Authority and administration 551.103 Coverage. Subpart B--Exemptions and Exclusions 551.202 General principles governing exemptions 551.203 Exemption of General Schedule employees 551.204 Exemption of Federal Wage System employees 551.205 Executive exemption criteria. 551.206 Administrative exemption criteria 551.207 Professional exemption criteria. 551.208 Effect of performing temporary work or duties on FLSA exemption status 551.209 Foreign exemption criteria. 551.210 Exemption of employees receiving availability pay. 551.211 Statutory exclusion. Subpart C.-Minimum Wage Provisions 551.301 Minimum wage Subminimum Wage 551.311 Subminimum wage.

Office of Personnel Management regulations

What is FLSA?

- Provides minimum standards for both wages and overtime entitlement, and spells out administrative procedures by which covered work time must be compensated
- Two categories:
 - Exempt: NOT covered by FLSA overtime and minimum wage provisions (follow SC1930 compensation provisions instead)
 - Nonexempt: COVERED by FLSA overtime and minimum wage provisions

FLSA Provisions

- Overtime nonexempt
 - Paid 1.5 times the regular rate
- Nonexempt employees may request compensatory time, but <u>cannot</u> be ordered to take it
- "Suffer or Permit" provision Any work a nonexempt employee performs is counted as work:
 - Supervisor need not order or authorize
 - Sufficient that supervisor has reason to believe work was performed
 - Note: Some travel/training time also considered hours of work

Example: Employee works late or on the weekend and puts

CONUS - FLSA Provisions

mployees are *nonexempt* unless shown to be exempt

Always nonexempt:

- Pay Band 1 and 2 Technician/Support positions
 - ALL Career Groups (PS YB, YE, YI, YL & YM)
- Trainees ALL Career Groups
 - (PS/PB YA-1, YD-1, YH-1, YK-1 and YP-1)
- Any WG or WL employee
- Technicians below GS-08 and some above
- Trainees (lack full independence)
- GS clerical employees

Often nonexempt (require FLSA test):

- Many Journey-Level (Pay Band 2) employees in
 - PS/PB YA-2, YD-2, YH-2, YK-2
- Equipment operators (e.g., pilots) (STD CG, YA-2, GS)
- Pay Band 3/4 Technician/Support positions
 - ALL Career Groups (PS YB, YE, YI, & YL)
- Pay Band 1 Supervisory Positions
 - ALL Career Groups (PS YC, YF, YJ, & YN
- Some first-level WS supervisors
- Many GS-09 employees (lack independence)

Fair Labor Standards Act Determinations

- Caution FLSA is based on person, not position!
 - Typically, manager makes decision based on PD duties, prior to employee selection
 - Actual employee's responsibilities determine FLSA so this may require change in FLSA for individual
- Employees are presumed to be covered by FLSA
 - (non-exempt unless *proven* to be exempt)
- Movement to other CGs, PS, or PBs will require new review

Army FLSA Steps

- 1. Compare position against SC1920-2 FLSA Table
- 2. If chart indicates "Apply test," assess written job objectives and specific duties expected of employee against 5 CFR 551 criteria
 - Exceptions must meet criteria in 5 CFR, part 551, subpart B.
- 3. For assistance:
 - Use PMD-developed NSPS FLSA Decision Logic Table
 - Contact CPAC HR for advice in applying 5 CFR 551 criteria
- 4. Complete FLSA Evaluation Worksheet and attach to PD in FASCLASS

Classification Exercise 4

In teams:

- Locate materials needed for exercise
- Use PD(s) assigned by instructor
- Following DoD and PMD guidance / decision logic tables provided, make an initial FLSA call
- Compare initial decision against 5 CFR, Part 551
 - If determined exempt, be prepared to cite the applicable subsection on the FLSA Evaluation Checklist
- TIME: You have 15 minutes

FLSA - COMPLAINTS

- Employees elevate their FLSA concerns through their chain-ofcommand.
- If not satisfied, employees:
 - go to Union (where bargaining unit contract applicable).
 - go to OPM (when no labor contract).
 - go to Court.

Classification Appeals NSPS

Employees may appeal:

- Any classification decision relating to their own position:
 - Title
 - Occupational code
 - Pay band
 - Supervisory status



Employees may not appeal:

- Classification of a proposed position or one to which the employee is not officially assigned
- Classification of a position to which an employee is detailed or temporarily promoted
- Accuracy, consistency, or use of NSPS classification criteria
- Rate of pay

Classification Appeals (cont'd)

- Employees first "raises concerns" to supervisor who has 30 days to respond
- Then formal appeal to CPMS or directly to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
- Appeals to CPMS must go through HR
- HR provides assistance and assembles package (as in current process)

Questions?

CAMP SOUTHBRIDGE EXERCISE

